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**REPLY AND AMENDMENT**

Dear Sir:

In response to the Examiner's office action rejection mailed on August 11, 2004, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

*Amendments to the Claims* begin on page 2 of this paper.

*Remarks* begin on page 5 of this paper.